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Enclosed is a Response to the Official Action mailed September 22, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A petition for a One-Month Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) is also enclosed.
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- ☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office action mailed September 22, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the amendments and remarks that follow.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.